

REMARKS

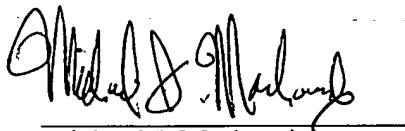
This application is a Divisional Application of Application No. 09/988,962, filed on November 19, 2001, (hereinafter referred to as "the parent application").

Claims 3-16 are presented for examination herein, being claims not elected in the parent application in the Election filed on January 8, 2003 in response to the Office Action mailed on December 10, 2002.

It is respectfully requested that this amendment be entered prior to the calculation of the filing fee so that Applicants are not charged for pendency of canceled claims 1-2 and 17-24 prior to entry of this amendment.

Any fee due with this paper, not fully covered by an enclosed check, may be charged on Deposit Account 50-1290.

Respectfully submitted,



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